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That substitute specification is the result of the entry into the verified translation of a cross-reference to related applications, of suitable section headings and of a discussion of several prior art references as was done in the PCT application; the deletion of the List of Reference Symbols and of references to the claims; the correction of minor errors in grammar, phrasing and punctuation, and a general revision of the verified translation to place the substitute specification more in a form in accordance with U.S. practice. These various changes and corrections do not constitute any new matter. A marked-up copy of the verified translation, showing the changes made thereto, to arrive at the Substitute Specification, is enclosed for the Examiner's review.